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September 30, 2008

Mr. Raymond Ruminiski, Director Division of Environmental Health 922 Blevins court Lakeport, California 95453-9739

Dear Mr. Ruminiski:

The California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA), Office of Emergency Services, Office of the State Fire Marshal, Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the State Water Resources Control Board conducted a program evaluation of Lake County Environmental Health's Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA) on October 18 and 19, 2006. The evaluation consisted of a review of program elements, an in-office program review and field oversight inspections. The State evaluators completed a Certified Unified Program Agency Evaluation Summary of Findings with your agency's program management staff, which included identified deficiencies, with preliminary corrective actions and timeframes, program observations and recommendations, and examples of outstanding program implementation.

Cal/EPA has received documentation of corrective actions taken by Lake County CUPA for deficiencies found during the evaluation process. After reviewing the Evaluation Summary of Findings and the documentation of corrective actions, Cal/EPA finds that seven of the deficiencies noted in the Evaluation Summary of Findings have been corrected and substantial progress has been made towards correcting the remaining five deficiencies. Cal/EPA has therefore modified Lake County CUPA's rating on the evaluation from unsatisfactory to satisfactory with some improvement needed.

Please resume submitting Deficiency Progress Reports to the Cal/EPA Unified Program that depict your agency's progress towards correcting remaining deficiencies 3, 4, 5, 8 and 10. Your evaluation file has been moved to Mr. Tyrone Smith, tysmith@calepa.ca.gov, (916) 327-9558. Please submit your next deficiency progress report by October 30, 2008.

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Thank you for your continued commitment to the protection of public health and the environment. If you have any questions or need further assistance, you may contact Jim Bohon, Manager, Cal/EPA Unified Program at (916) 327-5097 or jbohon@calepa.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

[Original Signed by Jim Bohon]

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